

According to the Mississippi Agricultural Statistics Service, there were 6.0 days suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending June 9, 2002**. The planted crop conditions have improved due to dry and warm weather. Soil moisture was rated 9 percent very short, 36 percent short, 53 percent adequate and 2 percent surplus.

Progress In Percentages						Conditions in Percentages				
Item	Event	This Week	Last Week	2001	5-Yr Avg	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Corn	Silked	32	8	36	27	1	4	19	63	13
Cotton	Planted	99	96	100	100	1	7	24	55	13
	Emerged	97	89	100	97					
	Squaring	18	5	30	22					
Rice	Planted	100	99	100	100	0	4	19	54	23
	Emerged	99	95	100	99					
Sorghum	Planted	99	97	100	99	0	1	22	63	14
	Emerged	97	93	100	94					
Soybeans	Planted	95	90	99	91	0	4	23	56	17
	Emerged	90	82	98	84					
	Blooming	12	6	30	12					
Wheat	Mature	94	70	90	84	0	13	37	36	14
	Harvested	56	11	24	45					
Hay (Cool Season)	Harvested	96	89	98	93	8	11	28	35	18
		25	16	28	23					
Sweetpotatoes	Planted	35	19	25	39	--	--	--	--	--
Watermelons						1	3	18	43	35
Cattle						2	5	20	64	9
Pasture						5	10	34	46	5
Blueberries						0	6	26	62	6

### County Agent Comments

“Some parts of the county need rain. Wheat harvest is coming along nicely. Growers are getting out fertilizer, spraying for insects, and cleaning up weeds in cotton. Most of the rice is getting a flood applied. Some soybean fields have diseases showing up.”

— Don Respess, Bolivar County

“Some soybeans are still being planted and some had to be replanted due to heavy rains that caused the soil to crust. Wheat harvest will soon begin.”

— Melvin Oatis, Benton County

“Most planting is complete but not all cotton was planted because of wet conditions. Cool season hay harvest is complete with good numbers. We are seeing disease problems in vegetables and ornamentals from cool temperatures and wet conditions.”

— Tim Needham, Tippah County

“Cool season hay harvesting continues to be delayed because of scattered showers. Pasture and cattle are in excellent condition. Most of the corn crop is in good to excellent condition.”

— Otis L. Davis, Madison County

“Spotted showers around the county have improved the growing conditions, but more rain is needed. Pastures are showing signs of drought stress. Corn on lighter soils is also beginning to show drought stress. Hay yields are down 30 to 50 percent so far.”

— Victor Lee, Newton County

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Weather Summary from June 3, 2002 to June 9, 2002 for Mississippi													
District/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation				4 Inch Soil Temperature			Avg Pan Evap
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	DFN	Rain Days	Four Weeks	Max	Min	Avg	
1. Upper Delta													
Clarksdale	93	64	80	77	+3	0.20	-0.99	1	2.95	90	70	79	0.26
Cleveland	95	64	80	77	+3	0.50	-0.69	2	2.07				
Tunica				77		0.90	-0.38	1	3.20				0.23
Extreme/Average	95	64	80	77	+3	0.53	-0.49	1	2.74	90	70	79	0.25
2. North-Central													
Holly Springs				73		0.00	-1.15	0	4.30				0.24
Memphis	93	64	80	76	+4	0.18	-0.87	1	3.50				
Oxford	95	60	79	75	+4	0.74	-0.41	1	2.92				
Extreme/Average	95	60	79	75	+4	0.31	-0.65	1	3.57				0.24
3. Northeast													
Booneville	93	61	77	74	+3	0.15	-1.00	1	2.89				
Corinth	93	60	78	76	+2	0.00	-1.03	0	2.93				
Iuka	95	55	75	71	+4	0.20	-0.83	1	1.51				
Pontotoc	91	62	78	75	+3	0.00	-1.19	0	2.14	84	74	79	0.28
Tupelo	95	62	79	75	+4	0.00	-1.22	0	1.00				
Verona	96	64	80	75	+5	0.00	-1.12	0	2.15	96	75	86	0.32
Extreme/Average	96	55	78	75	+3	0.06	-0.87	0	2.10	96	74	83	0.30
4. Lower Delta													
Belzoni	98	69	88	77	+11	0.00	-0.98	0	1.34	80	92	84	
Rolling Fork	97	67	82	77	+5	0.07	-0.98	1	1.54	102	84	93	0.30
Stoneville	99	65	82	78	+4	0.00	-0.98	0	1.15	97	79	88	0.33
Yazoo City	94	66	80	78	+2	0.00	-1.00	0	3.09				
Extreme/Average	99	65	83	78	+5	0.02	-0.92	0	1.78	102	79	88	0.31
5. Central													
Carthage				76		0.00	-0.83	0	2.11				
Greenwood	94	63	80	78	+2	0.48	-0.57	2	2.19				
Jackson	94	68	81	77	+4	0.00	-0.89	0	3.64				
Winona	92	61	77	73	+4	0.00	-1.00	0	1.47				
Extreme/Average	94	61	79	76	+3	0.12	-0.74	1	2.35				
6. East-Central													
Brooksville						0.10	-0.88	1	1.97				
Columbus	97	65	80	76	+4	0.48	-0.59	1	2.29				
State University	94	65	80	76	+4	0.00	-0.96	0	3.23	87	78	83	0.27
Extreme/Average	97	65	80	76	+4	0.19	-0.66	1	2.50	87	78	83	0.27
7. Southwest													
Crystal Springs	94	68	81	77	+4	0.20	-1.05	1	2.30	88	76	82	
Natchez	90	64	77	77	0	1.62	+0.4	1	3.67				
Oakley	95	67	81	76	+5	0.45	-0.67	2	4.49				
Vicksburg	93	70	81			0.09		1	3.04				
Extreme/Average	95	64	80	77	+3	0.59	-0.41	1	3.38	88	76	82	
8. South-Central													
Columbia	93	69	81	78	+3	1.32	+0.1	2	4.76				
McComb	92	68	80	77	+3	1.09	-0.03	3	7.47				
Extreme/Average	93	68	81	77	+4	1.21	+0.2	3	4.76				
9. Southeast													
Beaumont						0.20 E		1	5.78 E				
Hattiesburg	97	68	81	78	+3	0.55	-0.44	2	7.10				
Laurel	94	68	81	77	+4	0.02	-0.90	1	4.40				
Meridian	95	66	80	77	+3	0.00	-0.89	0	1.67				
Newton	94	64	79	75	+4	0.73	-0.11	3	2.74	89	73	81	0.27
Extreme/Average	97	64	80	77	+3	0.30	-0.54	1	4.34	89	73	81	0.27
10. Coastal													
Bay St Louis	95	65	80	78	+2	0.97	-0.05	3	2.54				
Biloxi AFB	90	73	81			1.02		2	3.41				
Gulfport	88	72	80	79	+1	1.30	+0.1	3	5.90				
Pascagoula	92	68	79			1.05		3	4.11				
Poplarville	95	70	82	78	+4	0.05	-1.00	1	5.21	96	71	83	
Extreme/Average	95	65	81	79	+2	0.88	-0.17	2	4.23	96	71	83	
State	99	55	80	77	+3	0.40	-0.53	1	3.20	102	70	83	0.28

DFN = Departure from Normal.